Stidvent, Assistant Secretary, Policy, Department of Labor; Jeffrey A. Rosen, General Counsel, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

#### FISSILE MATERIALS SECURITY ABROAD

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack held a hearing entitled "Pathways to the Bomb: Security of Fissile Materials Abroad." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

# LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION: LEASING CHOICES AND LANDLORD RELATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the Legal Services Corporation: A Review of Leasing Choices and Landlord Relations. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Legal Services Corporation: Frank B. Strickland, Chairman, Board of Directors; and R. Kirk West, Inspector General; and a public witness.

## PATENT AND TRADEMARK FEE MODERNIZATION ACT; INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY JURISDICTION CLARIFICATION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2791, United States Patent and Trademark Fee Modernization Act of 2005; and H.R. 2955, Intellectual Property Jurisdiction Clarification Act of 2005.

### ALIEN GANG REMOVAL ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims held a hearing on H.R. 2933, Alien Gang Removal Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from Representative Forbes; and public witnesses.

#### **FUTURE OF NASA**

Committee on Science: Held a hearing on The Future of NASA. Testimony was heard from Michael D. Griffin, Administrator, NASA.

# SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION AND RESEARCH

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standard held a hearing on Small Business Innovation and Research: What is the Optimal role of Venture Capital?" Testimony was heard from Representative Graves; and public witnesses.

### CLEAN AIR ACT/AUTO REPAIR

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Workforce, Empowerment and Government Programs held a hearing entitled "How the Clean Air Act Affects Auto Repair," focusing on H.R. 2048, Motor Vehi-

cle Owners' Right to Repair Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from Representative Barton of Texas; and public witnesses.

#### MULTI-EMPLOYER PENSION PLAN RULES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on Funding Rules for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plans in H.R. 2830, Pension Protection Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from Douglas Holtz-Eakin, Director, CBO; and public witnesses.

# COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of State and foreign operations, 10:30 a.m., SD–116.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of General Peter Pace, USMC, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Admiral Edmund P. Giambastiani, Jr., USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, General T. Michael Moseley, USAF, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Chief of Staff of the Air Force, Eric S. Edelman, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Daniel R. Stanley, of Kansas, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs, and James A. Rispoli, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

Full Committee, to hold a closed briefing regarding detention operations and interrogation procedures at Guantanamo Bay, 3:30 p.m., SR–222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Disaster Prevention and Prediction, to hold hearings to examine national weather service-severe weather, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to continue markup of S. 1307, to implement the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, and S.J. Res. 18, approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, 9 a.m., SH–216.

Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine threatening the health care safety net regarding Medicaid waste, fraud and abuse, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John Ross Beyrle, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bulgaria, Marie L. Yovanovitch, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Kyrgyz Republic, Robert H. Tuttle, of California, to be Ambassador to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and Ronald Spogli, of California, to be Ambassador to the Italian Republic, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider S. 1317, to provide for the collection and maintenance of cord blood units for the treatment of patients and research, and to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Bone Marrow and Cord Blood Cell Transplantation Program to increase the number of transplants for recipients suitable matched to donors of bone marrow and cord blood, and the nomination of Tom Luce, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development, 9:50 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine vulnerabilities in the United States passport system, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 374, to provide compensation to the Lower Brule and Crow Creek Sioux Tribes of South Dakota for damage to tribal land caused by Pick-Sloan projects along the Missouri River, S.J. Res. 15, to acknowledge a long history of official depredations and ill-conceived policies by the United States Government regarding Indian tribes and offer an apology to all Native Peoples on behalf of the United States, S. 113, to modify the date as of which certain tribal land of the Lytton Rancheria of California is deemed to be held in trust, S. 881, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam, S. 449, to facilitate shareholder consideration of proposals to make Settlement Common Stock under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act available to missed enrollees, eligible elders, and eligible persons born after December 18, 1971, H.R. 797, to amend the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 and other Acts to improve housing programs for Indians, S. 623, to direct the Secretary of Interior to convey certain land held in trust for the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah to the City of Richfield, Utah, S. 598, to reauthorize provisions in the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 relating to Native Hawaiian lowincome housing and Federal loan guarantees for Native Hawaiian housing, S. 1239, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to permit the Indian Health Service, an Indian tribe, a tribal organization, or an urban Indian organization to pay the monthly part D premium of eligible Medicare beneficiaries, S. 1231, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to modify provisions relating to the National Fund for Excellence in American Indian Education, an S. 1312, to amend a provision relating to employees of the United States assigned to, or employed by, an Indian tribe, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold a closed briefing regarding certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

### House

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on detainee operations at Guantanamo Bay, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces and the Subcommittee on Projection Forces, joint hearing on Small Business Technologies, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to mark up H.R. 2830, Pension Protection Act of 2005, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up the following: H.R. 2491, International Solid Waste Importation and Management Act of 2005; H.R. 1065, United States Boxing Commission Act; and the Drug Free Sports Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Legislative Solutions for the Rating Agency Duopoly," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing entitled "To Lead or To Follow: The Next Generation Internet and the Transition to IPv6," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing entitled "Interrupting Narcoterrorist Threats on the High Seas: Do We Have Enough Wind in Our Sails?" 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Resources, hearing entitled "The Next Generation of Nuclear Power," 2 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization, hearing entitled "Yucca Mountain Project: Digging for the Truth," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection, and Cybersecurity, hearing entitled "Improving Pre-Screening of Aviation Passengers against Terrorist and Other Watch Lists," 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight, hearing entitled "Transforming the Department of Homeland Security Through Mission-based Budgeting," 3 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, to mark up H.R. 513, 527 Reform Act of 2005, 1 p.m., 1310 Longworth. Committee on International Relations, briefing and hearing

on The Global Water Crisis: Evaluating U.S. Strategies to Enhance Access to Safe Water and Sanitation, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, hearing on Iraq's Transition to Democracy, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 611, Haiti Economic and Infrastructure Reconstruction Act; H.R. 953, Social Investment and Economic Development Fund for the Americas Act of 2005; H.R. 1213, Caribbean Basin Trade Enhancement Act of 2005; and H. Con. Res. 175, Acknowledging African descendants of the transatlantic slave trade in all of the Americas with an emphasis on descendants in Latin America and the Caribbean, recognizing the injustices suffered by these African descendants, and recommending that the United States and the international community work to improve the situation of Afro-descendant communities in Latin American and the Caribbean, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 184, Controlled Substances Export Reform Act of 2005; H.R. 869, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to lift the patient limitation on prescribing drug addiction treatments by medical practitioners in group practices; H.R. 3020, United States Parole Commission Extension and Sentencing Commission Authority Act of 2005; and H.R. 1442, To complete the codification of title 46, United States Code "Shipping," as positive law, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 2864, Water Resources and Development Act of 2005, 2:30 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Research, hearing on Nanotechnology: Where Does the U.S. Stand? 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Space, to mark up H.R. 3070, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2005, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Agriculture and Technology, hearing entitled "Different Applications for Genetically Modified Crops," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Sub-committee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, oversight hearing on the Implementation of the Maritime Transportation Security Act, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, oversight hearing on the Transition Assistance and Disabled Transition Assistance Programs (TAP/DTAP), 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing to Examine Tax Fraud Committed by Prison Inmates, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine the ongoing crisis in Uzbekistan and its implications for the United States, 2 p.m., SD-124.